

EXAMINER INTERVIEW SUMMARY

A telephone interview was held on December 2, 2008, between United States Patent and Trademark Office Examiners Messrs. Steven Cernoch and Len Tran, and Applicants' counsel Messrs. Kevin Hooper and Allan Watts. All claims pending and under examination were discussed. Agreement was reached that Applicants' counsel would file a supplemental amendment (this document) and that the amendment and response filed on November 18, 2008, was fully responsive to the restriction requirement mailed on August 18, 2008. It was also agreed that the patent application was in order to proceed with a search and examination of all pending claims. We thank the Examiners for the courtesies extended during the interview.

REMARKS

Claims 1-12, 14-24, 29, 30, and 52-54 remain pending in this patent application, for a total of 28 pending claims. Claims 1 and 15 have been amended herein without prejudice, while claim 16 is in its original form and the other pending claims were previously presented. Applicants submit that no new matter has been introduced by any of the claim amendments. Specifically, support for the claim amendments can be found in the original disclosure, including in the originally filed claims, for example. See *In re Gardner*, 177 USPQ 396, 397 (CCPA 1973) and MPEP §§ 608.01(o) and (l). Support may be found in other portions of the original disclosure as well.

Applicants submit that all of the pending claims are in a form suitable for examination and request that Examiner Cernoch proceed to examine all of the pending claims. Should the Examiner have any questions or concerns about this patent application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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